

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 1999-133-C - ORDER NO. 1999-439
JUNE 22, 1999

IN RE: Application of Megsinet-CLEC, Inc. for a)	ORDER
Certificate of Public Convenience and)	APPROVING
Necessity to Provide Local Exchange)	CERTIFICATE
Telecommunications Services and for)	
Flexible Regulation.)	

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) by way of Application of Megsinet-CLEC, Inc. ("Megsinet" or the "Company") for authority to provide local telecommunications services within the State of South Carolina. The Applicant also requests that the Commission regulate its local telecommunications services in accordance with the principles and procedures established for flexible regulation in Order No. 98-165 in Docket No. 97-467-C. The Application was filed pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Sections 58-9-280, and 58-9-520 (Supp. 1998) and the Regulations of the Public Service Commission of South Carolina.

By letter, the Commission's Executive Director instructed Megsinet to publish, one time, a prepared Notice of Filing in newspapers of general circulation in the affected areas. The purpose of the Notice of Filing was to inform interested parties of Megsinet's Application and of the manner and time in which to file the appropriate pleadings for participation in the proceeding. A Petition to Intervene was filed by the South Carolina Telephone Coalition (SCTC). On May 19, 1999, Counsel for SCTC filed with the Commission a Stipulation in which Megsinet stipulated that it would not provide any

local service to any customer located in a rural incumbent's service area unless and until Megsinet provided written notice of its intent prior to the date of the intended service. Megsinet also stipulated that it was not asking the Commission to make a finding at this time regarding whether competition is in the public interest for rural areas. Megsinet agreed to abide by all State and Federal laws and to participate to the extent that it may be required to do so by the Commission in support of universally available telephone service at affordable rates. The SCTC withdrew its opposition to the granting of a statewide Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Megsinet provided the conditions contained in the Stipulation are met. The Stipulation is approved and attached as Order Exhibit 1.

Megsinet filed a Motion for Expedited Review of its Application. By its Motion, Megsinet requested that the Commission grant expedited review of its application and waive the requirement of a formal hearing on the application. In support of its Motion, Megsinet offered that it had published the Notice of Filing, that Megsinet and the South Carolina Telephone Coalition agreed to a stipulation and as a result the South Carolina Telephone Coalition withdrew its opposition in this proceeding. In addition, Megsinet offered that the Commission had previously granted Megsinet a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide long distance telecommunications services in South Carolina in Docket No. 98-442-C, Order No. 1999-108, on February 10, 1999. Megsinet stated further that it waives its right to a formal hearing on the application and stated that the Commission has discretion under S.C. Code Ann. § 58-9-280(A) to consider the application without a hearing. In support of the Motion and for

consideration of the application, Megsinet filed the verified testimony of Mr. Michael Henry, President and Chief Executive Officer of Megsinet-CLEC, Inc.

The verified testimony submitted by Mr. Michael Henry, President and Chief Executive Officer of Megsinet, reveals that Megsinet seeks to offer resold local services to residential and business customers which are competitive with and comparable to local services offered by the incumbent LEC. Mr. Henry's testimony also reveals Megsinet is an Illinois corporation that will provide high quality, high value services through its CLEC. The Company intends to operate as a non-facilities based telecommunications provider. Megsinet will bill its customers monthly. The Company's toll free number will appear on the customer's monthly bill. In addition, the Company's Customer Service department will answer inquiries from customers from 8:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. central standard time.

Mr. Henry's testimony also indicates that the Company has more than ample financial resources. Some of the marketing techniques the Company plans to use are telephone calls, direct mailing and newspaper and magazine advertising. The testimony also reveals Megsinet has not been involved in any formal proceedings or had any judgments levied against it. Furthermore, Megsinet has never been investigated for service or billing irregularities nor has Megsinet's certification been denied or revoked.

The testimony also states Megsinet seeks the Commission's permission not to publish a directory; it seeks exemption from any report that would not be applicable to a resale local provider; and it seeks to maintain its books and records according to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) instead of the Uniform System of Accounts (USOA). Finally, Mr. Henry's testimony addressed how South Carolina's

consumers will benefit from Megsinet's services. He indicates that certification of Megsinet will increase the level of local competition in South Carolina and Megsinet's marketing plan will expand the subscriber awareness of options and services available to them.

After full consideration of the applicable law, the Company's Motion for Expedited Review, the Company's Application, and the verified testimony of Mr. Henry, the Commission hereby issues its findings of fact and conclusions of law:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Megsinet is organized as a corporation under the laws of the State of Illinois and its Articles of Incorporation are filed with Secretary of State of South Carolina.
2. Megsinet operates as a non-facilities based reseller of interexchange services and wishes to provide its local services in South Carolina.
3. Megsinet has the experience, capability, and financial resources to provide the services described in its Application.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-9-280 (Supp. 1998) provides that the Commission may grant a certificate to operate as a telephone utility...to applicants proposing to furnish local telephone services in the service territory of an incumbent LEC.

After full consideration of the applicable law, Megsinet's application, and evidence submitted by Megsinet, the Commission finds and concludes that the Certificate sought by Megsinet should be granted. The Commission's determination is based on the

following criteria as provided in S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-9-280 (Supp. 1998) and the evidence submitted in support of the motion which relates to that criteria:

1. The Commission finds that Megsinet possesses the technical, financial, and managerial resources sufficient to provide the services requested. S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-9-280 (B)(1) (Supp. 1998). Mr. Henry stated that Megsinet's management team includes individuals with experience in business and telecommunications. The testimony also reveals that Megsinet is financially able to provide telecommunications services in South Carolina. Based on the undisputed testimony of Mr. Henry, the Commission finds that Megsinet possesses the technical, financial, and managerial resources sufficient to provide the services requested.

2. The Commission finds that Megsinet will provide services which will meet the service standards of the Commission. S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-9-280 (B) (Supp. 1998). Mr. Henry's testimony indicated that Megsinet will comply with all applicable rules, policies and statutes applicable to the offering of those services. Based on the undisputed testimony of Mr. Henry, the Commission believes, and so finds, that Megsinet will provide telecommunications services that will meet the service standards of the Commission.

3. The Commission finds Megsinet's "provision of service will not adversely impact the availability of affordable local exchange service." S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-9-280 (B)(3) (Supp. 1998). Henry's testimony reveals that Megsinet believes that approval of its Application will further the public interest by making local service more accessible and affordable. Therefore, based on the undisputed evidence of record,

the Commission finds that provision of local exchange services by Megsinet will not adversely impact affordable local exchange service.

4. The Commission finds that Megsinet will support universally available telephone service at affordable rates. S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-9-280 (B)(4) (Supp. 1998). Megsinet agreed in the Stipulation with the SCTC to participate in the support of universally available telephone service at affordable rates as required by State and Federal laws and as required by the Commission's Rules and Regulations. Further, the Stipulation stated that Megsinet would comply with the Commission's universal service. Based on the undisputed evidence of record, the Commission finds that Megsinet will participate in support of universally available telephone service at affordable rates.

5. The Commission finds that the provision of local exchange service by Megsinet "does not otherwise adversely impact the public interest." S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-9-280 (B)(5) (Supp. 1998). Mr. Henry offered testimony that the approval of Megsinet's application will increase the availability of affordable local services for South Carolina's local market. Further, Mr. Henry stated that Megsinet's entrance into the market will provide access to local service to individuals who may not qualify for local service under any other circumstances. Therefore, based on the undisputed evidence of record, the Commission finds that approval of Megsinet's Application to provide local exchange service "does not otherwise adversely impact the public interest." S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-9-280 (B)(5) (Supp. 1998).

6. By its Application, Megsinet requested a waiver from maintaining its books and records under the Uniform System of Accounts. Megsinet asserts that it maintains its books and records according to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

("GAAP") and that the Commission will be able to obtain any information necessary to evaluate Megsinet's performance under GAAP. Megsinet further offers that a waiver of the requirement that books maintained under the Uniform System of Accounts will allow Megsinet to avoid maintaining two sets of books. Megsinet also requested a waiver of the requirement of publishing a directory and states that it will arrange for its customers to be published in the LEC directory. Finally, Megsinet seeks exemption from any report not applicable to a resale local provider. Megsinet offers that as a reseller, Megsinet will not construct facilities or have direct control over physical facilities and therefore requests exemption from any report not applicable to a resale local provider.

7. Megsinet's local telecommunications services shall be regulated in accordance with the principles and procedures established for flexible regulation first granted to NewSouth Communications by Order No. 98-165 in Docket No. 97-467-C.

Therefore, based on the findings above, the Commission finds and concludes that a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity should be granted to Megsinet.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. The Application of Megsinet for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide competitive intrastate local exchange services in the non-rural local exchange service area is approved. Megsinet is hereby authorized to provide competitive local exchange services in these areas in South Carolina. The terms of the Stipulation between Megsinet and SCTC are approved, and adopted as a portion of this Order. Any proposal to provide such service to rural service areas is subject to the terms of the Stipulation.

2. Megsinet shall file, prior to offering local exchange services in South Carolina, its final tariff of its local service offerings conforming to all matters discussed with Staff and comporting with South Carolina law in all matters. Any proposed change in the rates reflected in the tariff for local services which would be applicable to the general body of the Company's subscribers shall constitute a general ratemaking proceeding and will be treated in accordance with the notice and hearing provisions of S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-9-540 (Supp. 1998).

3. Megsinet shall, in compliance with Commission regulations, designate and maintain an authorized utility representative who is prepared to discuss, on a regulatory level, customer relations (complaint) matters, engineering operations, and tests and repairs. In addition, Megsinet shall provide to the Commission in writing the name of the authorized representative to be contacted in connection with general management duties as well as emergencies which occur during non-office hours. Megsinet shall file with the Commission the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of those representatives within thirty (30) days of receipt of this Order. (Attachment A shall be utilized for the provision of this information to the Commission.) Further, Megsinet shall promptly notify the Commission in writing if the representatives are replaced.

4. Megsinet shall conduct its business in compliance with Commission decisions and Orders, both past and future, including but not limited to, any and all Commission decisions which may be rendered in Docket No. 96-018-C regarding local competition.

5. Title 23, Chapter 47, South Carolina Code of Laws Ann., governs the establishment and implementation of a "Public Safety Communications Center," which is

more commonly known as a “911 system” or “911 service.” Services available through a 911 system include law enforcement, fire, and emergency medical services. In recognition of the necessity of quality 911 services being provided to the citizens of South Carolina, the Commission hereby instructs Megsinet to contact the appropriate authorities regarding 911 service in the counties and cities where the Company will be operating. Contact with the appropriate 911 service authorities is to be made before beginning telephone service in South Carolina. Accompanying this Order is an information packet from the South Carolina Chapter of the National Emergency Number Association (“SC NENA”) with contact information and sample forms. The Company may also obtain information by contacting the E911 Coordinator at the Office of Information Resources of the South Carolina Budget and Control Board. By this Order and prior to providing services within South Carolina, Megsinet shall contact the 911 Coordinator in each county, as well as the 911 Coordinator in each city where the city has its own 911 system, and shall provide information regarding the Company’s operations as required by the 911 system.

6. Megsinet’s local telecommunications services shall be regulated in accordance with the principles and procedures established for flexible regulation first granted to NewSouth Communications by Order No. 98-165 in Docket No. 97-467-C.

7. By its Application, Megsinet requested waivers of certain Commission Regulations. Megsinet requested a waiver from the Uniform System of Accounts, directory publishing, and certain reporting requirements not applicable to a resale local provider. The Commission grants waivers for these three areas. However, Megsinet is

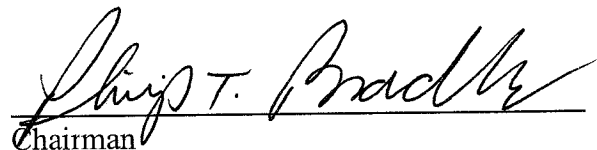
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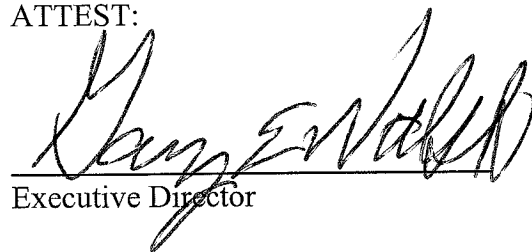
directed to comply with all other Commission regulations unless expressly waived by the Commission.

8. This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:


Chairman

ATTEST:


Executive Director

(SEAL)

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ATTACHMENT A

**INFORMATION OF THE AUTHORIZED UTILITY
REPRESENTATIVES FOR INTEREXCHANGE, LOCAL
AND AOS COMPANIES**

PURSUANT TO SOUTH CAROLINA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
REGULATION 103-612.2.4(b), each utility shall file and maintain with the Commission
the name, title, address, and telephone number of the persons who should be contacted in
connection with Customer Relations/Complaints.

Company Name/DBA Name

Business Address

City, State, Zip Code

Authorized Utility Representative (Please Print or Type)

Telephone Number

Fax Number

E-Mail Address

This form was completed by

Signature

If you have any questions, contact the Consumer Services Department at 803-896-5230

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Docket No. 1999-133-C

Re: Application of Megsinet-CLEC, Inc. for a Certificate)
of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Resold)
Local Exchange Telecommunications Services)
in the State of South Carolina)

The South Carolina Telephone Coalition ("SCTC") (see attachment "A" for list of companies) and Megsinet-CLEC, Inc. ("Megsinet") hereby enter into the following stipulations. As a consequence of these stipulations and conditions, the necessity for SCTC's intervention in this matter is avoided and SCTC withdraws its opposition to Megsinet's Application. SCTC and Megsinet stipulate and agree as follows:

1. SCTC does not oppose the granting of a statewide Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Megsinet, provided the South Carolina Public Service Commission ("Commission") makes the necessary findings to justify granting of such a certificate, and provided the conditions contained within this stipulation are met.

2. Megsinet stipulates and agrees that any Certificate which may be granted will authorize Megsinet to provide service only to customers located in non-rural local exchange company ("LEC") service areas of South Carolina, except as provided herein.

3. Megsinet stipulates that it is not asking the Commission to make a finding at this time regarding whether competition is in the public interest for rural areas.

4. Megsinet stipulates and agrees that it will not provide any local service, by its own facilities or otherwise, to any customer located in a rural incumbent LEC's service area, unless and until Megsinet provides such rural incumbent LEC and the Commission with written notice of its intent to do so at least thirty (30) days prior to the date of the intended service. During such notice period, the rural incumbent LEC will have the opportunity to petition the Commission to exercise all rights afforded it under Federal and State law. Also, Megsinet acknowledges that the Commission may suspend the intended date for service in rural LEC territory for ninety (90) days while the Commission conducts any proceeding incident to the Petition or upon the Commission's own Motion, provided that the Commission can further suspend the implementation date upon showing of good cause.

5. Megsinet stipulates and agrees that if, after Megsinet gives notice that it intends to serve a customer located in a rural incumbent LEC's service area, the Commission receives a Petition from the rural incumbent LEC to exercise its rights under Federal or State law, or the Commission institutes a proceeding of its own, then Megsinet will not provide service to any customer located within the service area in question without prior and further Commission approval.

6. Megsinet acknowledges that any right which it may have or acquire to serve a rural telephone company service area in South Carolina is subject to the conditions contained

herein, and to any future policies, procedures, and guidelines relevant to such proposed service which the Commission may implement, so long as such policies, procedures, and guidelines do not conflict with Federal or State law.

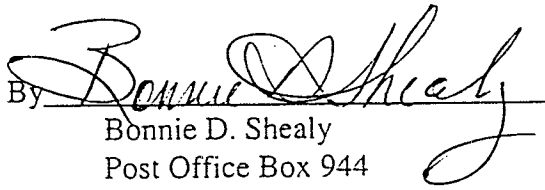
7. The parties stipulate and agree that all rights under Federal and State law are reserved to the rural incumbent LECs, and this Stipulation in no way suspends or adversely affects such rights, including any exemptions, suspensions, or modifications to which they may be entitled.

8. Megsinet agrees to abide by all State and Federal laws and to participate, to the extent it may be required to do so by the Commission, in the support of universally available telephone service at affordable rates.

9. Megsinet hereby amends its application and its prefiled testimony in this docket to the extent necessary to conform with this Stipulation.

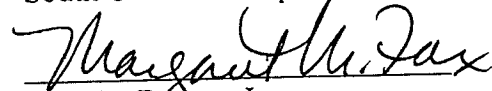
AGREED AND STIPULATED to this 17th day of May, 1999.

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ATTACHMENT A
South Carolina Telephone Coalition Member Companies
for Purposes of Local Service Stipulation

ALLTEL South Carolina, Inc.
Bluffton Telephone Company, Inc.
Chesnee Telephone Company
Chester Telephone Company
Farmers Telephone Cooperative, Inc.
Ft. Mill Telephone Company
Hargray Telephone Company, Inc.
Heath Springs Telephone Company Inc.
Home Telephone Company, Inc.
Lancaster Telephone Company
Lockhart Telephone Company
McClellanville Telephone Company
Norway Telephone Company
Palmetto Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc.
Piedmont Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc.
Pond Branch Telephone Company
Ridgeway Telephone Company
Rock Hill Telephone Company
Sandhill Telephone Cooperative, Inc.
St. Stephen Telephone Company
West Carolina Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc.
Williston Telephone Company

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in the State of South Carolina)
_____)

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Mia DuRant Briggs, do hereby certify that this day I caused to have served the foregoing Stipulation to the below named party of record, by having same delivered as indicated, this 19th day of May, 1999, and addressed as follows:

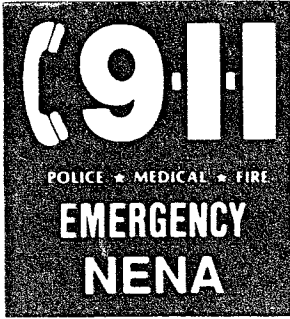
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NENA

National
Emergency
Number
Association

South Carolina Chapter

October 1, 1998

To: Telephone Companies New to South Carolina

In an effort to continue providing quality emergency services to the citizens of South Carolina, the SC NENA (National Emergency Number Association) requests that before beginning telephone service in a county, you contact the 911 Coordinator in that county. This will allow both parties to obtain important information about providing 911 services in that county. If you have already begun service, then contact the coordinator as soon as possible.

A list of County 911 Coordinators is provided with this letter. A list is also maintained on the South Carolina E911 homepage at www.state.sc.us/911. If you have any questions related to 911 in South Carolina, you may contact E911 Coordination at the Office of Information Resources at 803-737-9616. The person responsible for this can also be found on the 911 homepage. Please be aware that some cities may have their own E911 systems, these are listed on the attached list and on the 911 homepage. These city coordinators will need to be contacted in addition to the county coordinators.

County 911 Contacts

ALPHABETICAL INDEX

The 911 Contacts page is listed in alphabetical order, by county.
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MEMO OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN COMPANY AND 9-1-1 ENTITY

EXPLANATION SHEET

PURPOSE: Formal standardized exchange of information between the CLECs and the 9-1-1 Entities.

Attachment No. 1 - This attachment is to be filled out by the CLEC.

Provides 9-1-1 related information on the Company's service plan including: Company network; 9-1-1 network interconnection; service areas and offerings; database updates and anticipated commercial service cutover dates.

Attachment No. 2 - This attachment is to be filled out by the CLEC.

Provides name, title and contact numbers for database, billing, service installation/cutover, network operations and 9-1-1 coordination. This information will include 24 hour 7 day emergency contact number and management escalation.

Attachment No. 3 - This attachment is to be filled out by the 9-1-1 Managing Entity.

Contains 9-1-1 Entity provided information for default routing in various types of 9-1-1 call failure conditions or where a customer dials "O" for Operator instead of 911. Includes "default" PSAP designations, Public Switched Network 10 digit "default" PSAP telephone numbers and special routing information that may be required for operation of the 9-1-1 System.

Attachment No. 4 - This attachment is to be filled out by the CLEC.

Provides detailed testing plan for Company's 9-1-1 interconnection prior to live commercial service cutover. Includes test call process for 9-1-1 trunk group to the 9-1-1 tandem, ALI database entries, default routing and calls to an Operator.

Attachment No. 5 - This attachment is to be filled out by the CLEC.

Provides detailed information on procedures to be followed by the company in the case of 9-1-1 trunk group failure, 9-1-1 tandem failure or Company switch isolation from the Public Switched Network.

Attachment No. 6 - This attachment is to be filled out by the 9-1-1 Managing Entity.

Provides all the information necessary for Company billing and remittance of the 9-1-1 fees. This will include authorizing law or Fee Order; detail on charges and differences between residential, business line and business trunk charges; charging limitations for large customers, if any; administrative fee to be retained by the Company and remittance destination information.

Attachment No. 7 - This attachment is to be filled out by the CLEC.

Details charges involved with providing 9-1-1 service incurred by the Company. These will normally be passed through to the 9-1-1 Entity. Included are Company costs for connecting to the 9-1-1 network, 9-1-1 Network use charges, if any, and 9-1-1 database preparation costs.

Attachment No. 8 - This attachment is to be filled out by the 9-1-1 Managing Entity.

Provides name, title and contact numbers for database, billing, PSAP operations, 9-1-1 Entity management, and the Lead Telco Representative.

All attachments are necessary for the full exchange of information. Some CLECs may not elect to complete Attachment No. 7 at the time of initial exchange, but reserve for future use.

A Memo of Acknowledgement and Understanding would be completed for each county. Certain attachment information will be different for each county.

Memo of Acknowledgement and Understanding
Between Company and 9-1-1 Entity

This document, together with Attachments 1 through 8, summarizes and acknowledges the establishment of a working relationship between _____ ("Company") and _____ ("the 9-1-1 Entity").

Company

- Will provide local exchange service throughout _____ area starting approximately _____ 199__. See Attachment 1 for 9-1-1 Service Plan.
- Is a Certified Local Exchange Carrier in the State of _____.
- Will be in compliance with all applicable state and local regulations.
- Will provide the 9-1-1 Entity with its contact and escalation list, as set forth in Attachment 2.

Company Network Service

- Has completed an Interconnection Agreement with _____ ("ILEC").
- Has agreed to provide 911 Tandem/Trunking through _____ ("ILEC").
- Has agreed to provide Database Access through _____ ("ILEC").
- Will provide database updates within 24 hours.
- Will use "default" PSAP in case of 9-1-1 network failure and for Operator routing as set forth in Attachment 3.
- Provides a 9-1-1 Test Plan and Disaster Recovery Plan as set forth in Attachments 4 & 5.

Company Billing

- Will bill and remit collected authorized 9-1-1 Emergency Service Fee, less all authorized collection fees, as described in Attachment 6.
- Reserves the right to retain or bill an additional fee for "Network Services" charges, as set forth in Attachment 7 as allowed by tariff and state law.

9-1-1 Entity

- Provides a PSAP, Lead Telco and 9-1-1 Entity contact and escalation list as set forth in Attachment 8.
- Designates the "default" PSAP and default PSAP 10 digit access number for network failure and Operator routing as set forth in Attachment 3.
- Provides Emergency Service Fee information as set forth in Attachment 6.
- Provides Emergency Service Fee remittance and Network Services charge billing name and address in Attachment 6.
- Provides a copy of this Memo of Acknowledgement and Understanding to their lead telco after execution.
- Acknowledges that a working relationship exists with the Company both directly and, as appropriate, through the ILEC.
- Acknowledges that the Company has established network and service preparation plans for the completion of Company customer 911 calls.

The parties agree to update, as necessary, and provide the other party with any revisions, amendments or modifications to the information contained in Attachments 1 through 8.

Company

By: _____

Printed Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

The 9-1-1 Entity

By: _____

Printed Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

Attachment No. 1

Company 9-1-1 Service Plan For 9-1-1 Entity Locations

1. Service Establishment Date: _____

2. Company NXX(s) serving 9-1-1 Entity locations: _____

3. Type services provided:

Business Lines	_____
Residential Lines	_____
ISDN	_____
CENTREX	_____
PBX	_____
Intrastate Toll	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

4. (Company) Switch:

Location	_____

Type	_____
CLLI Code	_____

5. Tandem(s) connection(s):

To Location	_____	Initial Trunk Group Size	_____
		NXX(s) sent	_____
CLLI Code	_____		
To Location	_____	Initial Trunk Group Size	_____
		NXX(s) sent	_____
CLLI Code	_____		

6. Company 9-1-1 Database input to: _____

7. Company administrative location: _____

Company 9-1-1 Escalation & Contact List

Database & Billing

(Name -- Title -- Telephone #)

- —
- —
- —
- —

Network Operations

24hr Network Management Center (NMC)

NMC

Trouble Reporting Number

800-xxx-xxxx

(Name -- Title -- Telephone #)

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- —
- —
- —
- —

Installation & Operations Management

(Name -- Title -- Telephone #)

- —
- —
- —
- —
- —
- —

Location General Manager

(Name -- Title -- Telephone #)

- —

9-1-1 Entity Coordination

(Name -- Title -- Telephone #)

- —

9-1-1 Entity Default Routing Designation

For Use By Company

9-1-1 Entity Provided Information

Default PSAP for:

1. ANI/ALI Failure:

PSAP Name _____
Location _____

PSAP ESN #, if known _____

2. Company to 9-1-1 Tandem, trunk group failure:

PSAP Name _____
Location _____

10 Digit Public Switched Network Emergency # for PSAP access: _____

3. Emergency Calls to an Operator (0):

PSAP Name _____
Location _____

10 Digit Public Switched Network Emergency # for PSAP access: _____

4. Other 9-1-1 Entities sharing the same defaults:

9-1-1 Cutover -- Operational Tests

E9-1-1 Trunk Group & Emergency Calls to an Operator

The test calls, except default routing, must have the calling address and telephone number in the designated 9-1-1 Database.

Test calls will be made for each Company NXX.

Company will notify each PSAP or 9-1-1 Entity, as appropriate, that is associated with a test call prior to the scheduled test date.

9-1-1 TRUNK TEST

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("Detail testing steps")

DEFAULT ROUTE TESTS

ALI Failure

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("Detail default route testing steps")

Trunk Failure

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("Detail default route testing steps")

Operator Services

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("Detail default route testing steps")

9-1-1 Disaster Recovery / Service Restoration Plan

E9-1-1 Trunk Group Failure or 9-1-1 Tandem Failure

In the event of an all trunks to the 9-1-1 tandem failure or a 9-1-1 tandem failure, the following procedure will be used:

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("Detail steps to be taken in the event of failure")

Notification of failure conditions and restoration will be made to the local 9-1-1 agency designated notification point.

All efforts will be made to restore the failure quickly and return to regular 9-1-1 call routing.

Company Switch Isolation

In the unlikely event of complete company switch isolation from the 9-1-1 and Public Switched networks:

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("Detail steps to be taken in the event of failure")

All efforts will be made to restore the failure quickly and return to regular 9-1-1 call routing.

9-1-1 Fee To Be Billed By Company

FEE AMOUNTS:

The 911 Emergency Service Fee that is charged pursuant to Local Ordinance and/or State Law:

1. Residential: \$ _____ flat fee

-fee applied per each line

2. Business:

Line \$ _____ flat fee

Trunk \$ _____ flat fee

☐ fee applied per line or trunk to all lines and trunks

☐ fee applied per entity, per location, to a maximum of _____ lines and _____ trunks

3. Other Fee related information: _____

4. Fee order copy, if applicable, will be provided to the Company.

REMITTANCE TO 9-1-1 ENTITY:

Payable to: _____

Send to: _____

Contact Person: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Network Service Charges

(As Allowed by Tariff and State Law)

1. Company switch to 9-1-1 tandem facilities . \$xxx/mo.
Description of charges:

2. Interconnect company pass-through charges \$xxx/mo.
Description of charges:

Description of charges: \$xxx/1000 lines

3. Database Input System charges \$xxx/line/mo.
Description of charges:

9-1-1 Entity and ILEC Escalation & Contact List

Database & Billing

- _____ (Name -- Title -- Telephone #)
- _____

PSAP Operations

- _____ (Name -- Title -- Telephone #)
- _____

9-1-1 Entity Management

- _____ (Name -- Title -- Telephone #)
- _____

Lead Telco Representative

- _____ (Name -- Title -- Telephone #)